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TO: P - Mr. Armacost
FROM: H - J. Edward Fox
SUBJECT: Your Meeting with Congressman Dick Cheney,
Tuesday, March 8, 1988 at 11:30 a.m.

SETTING

You have agreed to meet with Congressman Cheney on Tuesday, March 8 at 11:30 a.m. in his office (104 Cannon) to brief him on Afghanistan and the status of the proximity talks. I will accompany you to the meeting.

BACKGROUND

There is no fixed agenda for the meeting. Cheney has not been out-spoken on the Afghanistan issue and has not closely identified himself with legislative initiatives affecting the region. I anticipate that Cheney will be interested in your read-out on the prospects we see for success in Geneva, the positions of the parties directly and indirectly participating in the Geneva process as well as our assessment of Afghanistan in the post-withdrawal period. You also should expect that he will be interested in your views on the Pakistani, Afghan resistance and U.S. positions on an interim government and our proposals on symmetry in aid cut-offs, given the extent of recent media and Congressional speculation in this area.

We understand that Congressman Solarz plans to introduce a non-binding Afghanistan resolution on Tuesday, March 8. You may wish to query Cheney on future House floor action on Afghanistan and seek his views on Congressional sentiments regarding a continuation of U.S. assistance to the resistance.

There is no pending correspondence between the Department and Cheney's office.

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SCENARIO

I will meet you in your office at 11:15 a.m. and will accompany you to the Hill. The meeting will be held in Cheney's office (104 Cannon). The meeting is scheduled to begin at 11:30 a.m. and will conclude at approximately 12:00 noon. I will join you for the meeting.

Attachments:

TAB 1 - Bio - Congressman Dick Cheney

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